

# PLATEAU GAZETTE.

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## Birth.

STRAWBRIDGE—On Monday, Aug. 20th, at Rugby, Mrs. A. G. Strawbridge, of a daughter.

## Marriage.

BERRY—FLETCHER—On the 23rd inst., at Rugby, by Rev. John Brewster, Ernest Mcville Berry, Junior Editor of the Plateau Gazette, to Naomi Fletcher, formerly of Hull, Yorkshire, England. No cards.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There were several heavy thunderstorms during the week.

The 'Survey Boys' camped out two miles on the Sedgemoor road, Tuesday.

Dancing and serenade, by Rugby Cornet Band, at the Tabard Saturday night.

Mr. R. Walton has presented to the Hughes Public Library a goodly number of New York Graphics.

Lightning entered a house at Centreville, Hickman County, Tenn., the other day killing a cat sitting between a man and woman, but not injuring them.

The finest watermelon gets the PLATEAU GAZETTE, for one year. The one bringing us the finest bushel of sweet potatoes, or of apples, will receive it for the same period.

Fever and ague, malarious fever, bilious and typhoid fevers all originate in one producing cause and may all be easily prevented by *Parson's Purgative Pills*. These pills act directly and powerfully upon the blood.

It is a dangerous thing to allow the diarrhoea or dysentery to go unchecked and there is no need of it. A small bottle of *Johnson's Anodyne Liniment* will cure the most stubborn case that can be produced.

Murders along the line of the Cincinnati Southern are becoming numerous and horrible. From the atrociousness of the crimes one would think a band of demons had taken possession of that country. Friday morning last, the mutilated remains of Deputy Sheriff Chitwood were found on the track. A train had passed over the body, cutting off both legs and arms. The circumstances connected with the affair establish the belief that Chitwood was murdered and his body placed on the track. He was a brave and faithful officer, and in the conscientious discharge of his duties made a good many enemies.

Another horrible and cold blooded murder was committed at Pine Knot, on the Cincinnati Southern Railway. Eli Spragle, a farmer, murdered his nephew, Wiley Spragle. Young Spragle was chatting with a friend, when his uncle came up and said: "You have treated me like a dog—now take that," at the same time he leveled a rifle and fired. The ball took effect in the breast and just above the heart. Young Spragle fell and expired in a few minutes. The murderer escaped.—Ex.

ITCHING PILLS.—SYMPTOMS AND CURE.—The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, seems as if pin-pricks were crawling in and about the rectum; the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "SWATNE'S OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also for Tetter, Itch, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Erysipelas, Barbers' Itch, Blotches, all scaly, crusty Skin Diseases. Sent by mail for 50 cents; 3 boxes, \$1.25, (in stamps). Address, DR. SWATNE & SON, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Druggists.

## Tennessee at Louisville.

A J. McWhirter, of the State Agricultural Bureau, writes from Louisville in terms of praise of the Tennessee exhibit. He greatly deprecates the fact, however, that the farmers of this state did not more generally respond to his call for agricultural exhibits. Had they done so, he says, the Tennessee exhibit would have surpassed anything presented by the other states.—Knoxville Chronicle.

## A Race War Near Nashville.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Aug. 20.—A row occurred between white and colored people at a colored camp-meeting at Trimble Springs, on the outskirts of the city, last night. When the religious frenzy was at its height, twelve shots were fired by the whites, and the greatest consternation prevailed. The meeting was stampeded, and those in attendance scattered in every direction. It is reported up to this hour that one white man was killed and several colored people wounded. From 500 to 1,000 colored people were present at the camp-meeting, and the white people were the only spectators of the shouting mass. The melee was brought on, it is said, by the colored people running against the whites without offering any apology. One white man was arrested and taken to the station-house.—Ex.

## The Distance a Printer's Hand Travels in a Day.

A Russian statistician has amused himself calculating the distance traveled in a year by the hand of a printer. He takes the principle that a skillful compositor, working ten hours a day, allowing for distributing and correction, sets up 12,000 ems. In counting the year at 300 working days, he makes them a total of 3,600,000 letters. Consequently the distance from the case to the stick and from the stick to the case being estimated at two feet, makes in all 7,200,000 feet, there being 23,500 feet in a geographical mile, so that the distance made in a year under these conditions by a printer's hand is in the neighborhood of 300 miles, or a mile a day.

## Railroad Taxation in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 21.—Tomorrow Comptroller Pickard will proceed to assess the different railroad properties in Tennessee that were not assessed for taxation prior to 1875. The notice served by the Comptroller upon the railroads are substantially as follows: That by an act passed by the Legislature of 1889, amended by act of 1883, all Collectors of taxes are made assessors for the purpose of assessing all property which by mistake of law or fact was not assessed for taxes for the present or previous year. The Comptroller is by law the collector of taxes on railroads. He insists that the following railroads were liable to taxes for the years previous to 1875: The Nashville and Decatur, Memphis Branch of the Louisville and Nashville, main stem of the Louisville and Nashville, from Nashville to the Kentucky line, and the road now forming a portion of the system of roads formerly known as the Edgefield and Kentucky; also the McMinnville and Manchester, Winchester and Alabama, Tennessee and Pacific and the Jasper Branch, these latter roads forming a part of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad. The Comptroller insists that the charters of some of these roads do not exempt them from taxation, and that others that were exempt under their charters by their purchase by the Louisville and Nashville, and Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroads. The exemption did not follow the sale, and after their sale and purchase by the latter roads the exemption ceased to exist. The amount involved at the lowest possible estimate is over one hundred million dollars. Most of the stock in these roads is owned in New York. The decision of the Comptroller has created widespread discussion in railroad circles.

A heavy rain-storm has passed over Ontario. Grain is beaten down and much damage is reported from streams suddenly swollen.

Clement J. Hill, a son of the Hon. C. S. Hill, died at his home in Marion County a few days since. He was a prominent member of the Lebanon bar.

East Tennessee has fifty million tons of iron ore that is estimated to be available. At the usual rate it would require twelve furnaces, making fifty tons per day, one hundred and twenty-five years to consume it.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO.

### Song of the Western Pioneer.

BY W. D. GALLAGHER.

[Respectfully Dedicated to the Descendants of Israel Ludlow, a Pioneer of 1788.]

I. A song of the early times out West,  
And our green old for at home,  
Whose pleasant memories freshly yet  
Across the bosom come!  
A song for the free and glad some life,  
In those early days we led,  
With a teeming soil beneath our feet,  
And a smiling heaven o'er head!  
Out the waves of life danced merrily,  
And had a joyous flow,  
In the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

II. The hunt, the shot, the glorious chase,  
The captured elk or deer;  
The camp, the big bri. fire, and then  
The rich and wholesome cheer;  
The sweet, sound sleep at dead of night,  
By our camp-fire blazing high,  
Unbroken by the wolf's long howl,  
And the panther springing by;  
Oh! merrily passed the time, despite  
Our wily Indian foe,  
In the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

III. We shunned not labor, when 'twas done  
We wrought with right good will;  
And for the homes we won for them  
Our children bless us still.  
We lived not hermit lives, but oft  
In social converse met;  
And fires of love were kindled there,  
That burn as warmly yet,  
Oh! pleasantly the stream of life  
Pursued its constant flow,  
In the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

IV. We felt that we were fellow men;  
We felt we were a band,  
Sustained here in the wilderness  
By Heaven's upholding hand.  
And when the solemn Sabbath came,  
We gathered in the wood,  
And lifted up our hearts in prayer  
To God, the only good.  
Our temples then were earth and sky;  
None others did we know,  
In the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

V. Our forest life was rough and rude  
And dangers closed us round;  
But here amid the green old trees,  
We freedom sought and found.  
Oh! through our dwellings, wintry blasts  
Would rush with shriek and moan;  
We cared not—though they were but frail,  
We felt they were our own.  
Oh! free and manly lives we led,  
Mid verdure or mid snow,  
In the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

VI. But now our course of life is short,  
And as from day to day  
We're marching on with halting step,  
And fainting by the way.  
Another land, more bright than this,  
To our dim sight appears,  
And on our way to it we'll soon  
Again be Pioneers.  
Yet, while we linger we may all  
A backward glance still throw  
To the days when we were Pioneers,  
Fifty years ago.

## THREE HANGINGS.

JOE PAYNE HUNG AT OAKLAND, MISS.  
Taylor Banks At Scottsboro, Ala.,  
And Frank Stagle At Somerset, Ky.

OAKLAND, Aug. 16.—To-day at 2:35 P.M., Joe Payne, colored, was hung by an almost unanimous vote of five or six hundred citizens, whose voices were quiet and business like. The crime for which Payne was lynched was committed on the 26th of last July, Towns Sayles, a young merchant engaged in business in Oakland, Miss., on the line of the Mississippi & Tennessee railroad, being the victim.

Taylor Banks was hung at Scottsboro, Ala., August 17th, for the murder of Turner Woods, which was committed in December, 1881. Turner Woods was one of the most prominent colored men of that section of the country.

Frank Stagle, the murderer of the Randall brothers and Claiborn, was hung to a tree and then riddled with bullets, at Somerset, the first of the week.

## Printing-Office Secrets.

A properly conducted printing office is as much a secret as a Masonic lodge. The printers are not under oath of secrecy, but always feel themselves as truly in honor bound to keep office secrets as though triple oathed. Any employed in a printing office who willingly disregards this fact in regard to printing office secrets would not only be scorned by his brethren of the craft, but lose his position at once. We make this statement because it sometimes happens that a communication appears in a newspaper under an assumed signature, which excites comment, and various parties try to find out who is the author. Let all be saved the trouble of questioning the employees of the printing office. They are know-nothings on such points as these:  
On such matters they have eyes and ears, no mouth, and, if they fail to observe this rule, let them be put down as dishonorable members of the craft. It is the same in job printing. If anything is to be printed and kept secret, let proper notice be given for the desire for secrecy, and you might as well question the sphynx as one of the printers, so that even the secret books of the lodges are printed without fear.—Ex.

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## MASONIC.

Rugby Lodge No. 518, F. & A. M., will meet in regular communication next Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock (15th inst.) Work in the M. M. Degree. Master Masons cordially invited.

R. WALTON, W. M.  
C. ODERDONK, Secretary

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Chattanooga..... 685 " " " "  
Rugby..... 1410 " " " "

HEALTH AND CLIMATE.  
All health seekers, whether from Northern or Southern States, should try the climate of the Tableland. The recent United States Census shows it to be almost the only district east of the Rocky Mountains, entirely free from malaria, pulmonary and intestinal diseases. The Plateau has a double climate, one resulting from latitude and the other from elevation. The air is pure and invigorating. The water is freestone; cool and sparkling. Mineral springs are numerous.  
The mean summer temperature is 72 deg. Fahr., and in winter 37 deg. Fahr. The nights are always cool and refreshing.

SOIL.  
The soil is a sandy loam upon a mulatto clay subsoil. It is light, friable, holds manure, is easily cultivated and responds readily and generously to the least fertilizer.

CROPS AND GRASSES.  
Corn, wheat, rye, oats, and barley all grow well, though this is not claimed as a grain growing soil. Tobacco is a profitable crop here, as also is sorghum. Herd grass, orchard grass, German and pearl millet, timothy and red clover have all been tried, and take hold and root well. Kentucky blue grass also thrives wherever introduced. The natural pasturage is abundant.

VEGETABLES  
Grow abundantly. Cabbage, onions, beans, sweet and Irish potatoes all make a fine return. The Irish potatoes are unexcelled by any grown in America. Sweet potatoes and onions yield 500 bushels per acre.

FRUIT AND GRAPE CULTURE.  
This region is especially adapted to fruit, and particularly to the winter apple and the grape. The apple crop here has never been known to fail. The trees are healthy, and the fruit smooth, plump, juicy and firm, rarely ever speckling or rotting. The grape is also a sure crop where proper varieties are planted. The vines are robust, and the grapes make excellent wines, which are in good demand. These two fruits are destined to become the great staple products of the Tableland.  
Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, currants, cherries, plums, and nearly all the small fruits thrive and bear prolifically.

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Also several fine tracts of land fronting and lying on the east side of the C.S.R.R., and half a mile south of Glen Mary.  
Board lands on the Cin. So. R.R., west of Sunbright. These lands lie directly south of the above and are close to the thriving town of Sunbright, with 200 inhabitants, two hotels, Masouie Lodge, six stores and post-office. They are well watered and timbered, and have excellent market, shipping and especially lumbering facilities.

Board lands on the Cin. So. R.R., half a mile east of Robbins Station. Splendid timbered lands, rich soil and abundant pasturage. Underlying this tract is the Robbins Coal Vein. These lands will be sold for farming, lumbering and mining purposes, in tracts of a size to suit purchasers.

RUGBY.  
Founded in 1880, has many social advantages, viz., two Good Hotels, Fine Church and School Building, Public Library with 6,000 volumes, Large Commissary, Drug Store, Weekly Newspaper, Post Office with two mails per day, and also numerous good houses and attractive villa residences. Choice building lots are now being offered at very reasonable prices.

Sedgemoor, the station for the above, has also been laid out in town lots, and the Board is prepared to offer liberal inducements to persons settling there for manufacturing or business purposes. Sedgemoor has two stores and boarding houses, and promises to be a flourishing town in the near future. The C.S.R.R. has just put in there a siding, 1,500 feet long.

The Board's Rugby lands comprise several tracts lying west of Rugby, in Morgan and reentrance Counties, as well as all their territory between Rugby and Sedgemoor and Robbins Depots on the C.S.R.R. These lands are traversed by the Rugby and Sedgemoor Pike, a graded road, seven miles long and pronounced the best dirt road in Tennessee, and are, on account of the superior communication, as accessible to the railroad as the less remote lands of the board. They are situated on the direct and, in winter, only line of traffic from the C.S.R.R. to Jamestown, Livingston, Celina and Byrdstown, respectively the county seats of reentrance, Overton, Clay and Pickett Counties.

CONCLUSION.  
The past season has been eminently successful as regards all farming and gardening operations, the crops being invariably full and of excellent quality. We invite all interested persons to correspond with settlers now upon the ground.

Maps and plans can be seen at the Board's Office on Central Avenue.

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